

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

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Application No. 16817 of Barbara Chambers Children's Center, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1 for a special exception to operate a child development center (150 children ages infant to 14 years, and 31 staff) under section 205 in an R-5-B District at premises 1470 Irving Street, N.W. (Square 2672, Lot 723).

HEARING DATE: January 22, 2002

DECISION DATE: July 2, 2002

SUMMARY ORDER

REVIEW BY THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

The application was accompanied by a memorandum from the Zoning Administrator certifying the required relief.

The Board provided proper and timely notice of public hearing on this application by publication in the D.C. Register, and by mail to Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 1A, and to the owners of property within 200 feet of the site. The application was also referred to the Office of Planning for review and report.

The site of this application is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 1A. ANC 1A, which is automatically a party to the application submitted a letter in support of the application. The Office of Planning submitted a report in support of the application. The D.C. Department of Transportation submitted a report stating no objection to the application.

As directed by 11 DCMR § 3119.2, the Board has required the applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements which are necessary to establish the case for a special exception from the strict application of the requirements of 11 DCMR §§ 3104.1 and 205. No person or entity appeared at the public hearing in opposition to this application or otherwise requested to participate as a party in this proceeding. Accordingly, a decision by the Board to grant this application would not be adverse to any party.

Based upon the record before the Board, and having given great weight to the ANC letter filed in this case, the Board concludes that the Applicant has met the burden of proof, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1 for a special exception under section 205, which will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the

Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps. It is therefore **ORDERED** that this application be **GRANTED** subject to the following **CONDITIONS**:

1. The approval shall be for **FIVE (5)** years.
2. The hours of operation shall be from 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM, with all persons off of the site including the parking lot by 10:30 PM.
3. The number of children shall not exceed 150.
4. The number of staff shall not exceed 31.
5. Outdoor activities shall be supervised and conclude by 8:00 PM.
6. Trash shall be kept on-site and collected three times a week, and the property shall be kept free of debris.
7. Staff shall monitor the dropping off and picking up of the children.
8. The parking lot shall be lighted in accordance with the site plan (exhibit 45).

Pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3101.6, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR § 3125.3 that the order of the Board be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law. The waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party, and is appropriate in this case.

VOTE: 3-0-2

(Curtis L. Etherly, Jr., Anne M. Renshaw, and James H. Hannaham to approve, the third mayoral appointee and the NCPC representative not present, not voting).

BY ORDER OF THE D.C. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

Each concurring member has approved the issuance of this order.

ATTESTED BY:


JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director, Office of Zoning

Final Date of Order: JUL 19 2002

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3125.6, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME FINAL UPON ITS FILING IN THE RECORD AND SERVICE UPON THE PARTIES. UNDER 11 DCMR § 3125.9, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE TEN DAYS AFTER IT BECOMES FINAL.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR 3130, THIS ORDER SHALL NOT BE VALID FOR MORE THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE UNLESS

THE USE APPROVED IN THIS ORDER IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN SUCH SIX-MONTH PERIOD.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3205, FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE CONDITIONS IN THIS ORDER, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR THE REVOCATION OF ANY BUILDING PERMIT OR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS ORDER.

THE APPLICANT SHALL COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, D.C.LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 14 IN TITLE 2 OF THE D.C. CODE. SEE D.C. CODE SECTION 2-1402.67 (2001). THIS ORDER IS CONDITIONED UPON FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLY SHALL BE A PROPER BASIS FOR THE REVOCATION OF THIS ORDER. NOTE IN SECTION 2-1401.01 OF THE D.C. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT THAT IT IS THE INTENT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, IN ENACTING THIS CHAPTER, TO SECURE AN END IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TO DISCRIMINATION FOR ANY REASON OTHER THAN THAT OF INDIVIDUAL MERIT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DISCRIMINATION BY REASON OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATURAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, PERSONAL APPEARANCE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, FAMILIAL STATUS, FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES, MATRICULATION, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, DISABILITY, SOURCE OF INCOME, AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS.

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As Director of the Office of Zoning, I hereby certify and attest that on JUL 19 2002 a copy of the order entered on that date in this matter was mailed first class, postage prepaid or delivered via inter-agency mail, to each party and public agency who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning the matter, and who is listed below:

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